GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3407
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RE OPENING MAJDIA DAULTANGUNJ ROUTE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to re-open Majdia-Daultangunj route on the Indo-Bangladesh border;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) No Sir. Reopening the Majdia-Daulatungunj route on the Indo-Bangladesh border is not presently under consideration.

(b &c) The zero point on the India-Bangladesh border near Majdia, called Tungi, was declared a Land Customs Station in 1994. However it has not been operative as there is not much cargo that can move through this point since there is no important industrial area/commercial centre in the vicinity. Moreover no infrastructure has been developed at this point.